

Public Hearing
Regular Council Meeting
September 23, 2004

Mayor Marse opened the Public Hearing for a discussion on developing a City park off of Bay Loop road at 6:35 pm. Jack Rhodes is representing the developer of Freeport 860, LLC, which is donating 65 acres to the City for a park. The developer has hired a parks planner to assist the City is developing the park. A recreation wish list was provided to the Council of what would possibly be within the park There were no public questions or comments so Mayor Marse closed the hearing at 6:50 pm.

Mayor Marse called to order the regular scheduled meeting of September 23, 2004 at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Mayor J.M. Marse, Council members Janice McLean, Earl King, Ray Jackson, and Jean Arrant were present. Councilman Mike Helton and City Attorney Clayton Adkinson were absent. Also present: City Clerk Diane Riley.

Councilman King gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Councilwoman Arrant motioned to accept minutes of the RCM on 8/26, Workshop 8/30 and SCM 9/1, 9/7, and 9/21. Councilwoman McLean 2nd the motion, it carried, 4-0.

Old Business:

Paul Miller of WFRPC was not present. All development issues that are now in the pipeline will be addressed at a planning board meeting slated for October 6, 2004. All future development issues will resume on November 1, 2004.

Charles Peters of PMA presented a written engineer's report. The Mayor signed the document package for the commencement of the WWTP upgrade. Charles noted that the consumptive use permit needs visiting, since the City is pumping near capacity.

New Business:

Councilwoman Arrant motioned to adopt a Resolution supporting a submittal to FRDAP for a park off of Bay Loop Road. The motion was seconded by Councilman King, motion carried, 4-0.

Fred Simpler did not show to make a formal complaint to the Council.

Councilwoman McLean motioned to pay all bills that were in order. Councilwoman Arrant 2nd the motion, it carried, 4-0.

Clerk Riley drafted a letter to WJHG-TV for the Council to review in regards to the performance of the meteorologist Jason Kelly. The letter was approved.

David Fannin asked if he could have his vacation pay since he was unable to take all of his time due to the hurricane. Robert Fawcett was also in the same situation. Council agreed to pay them.

With no other business, Councilwoman Arrant motioned to adjourn at 7:25 pm.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

J.M. Marse, Mayor

Diane Riley, City Clerk

Janice McLean, President of Council